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"MERRY MILKMAIDS" A SUCCESS

A Splendid Entertainment That Delighted a Large and Enthusiastic Audience

The "S. R. O." sign was hung out early at the opera house last Thursday evening when the girls of the high school, assisted by other local musical talent, presented the operetta, "The Merry Milkmaids." Those taking part in the play had been practicing hard and the result was one of the finest entertainments ever given by local talent in Laclede, and it was enjoyed by one of the largest crowds ever in the opera house, the receipts being about \$74. All played their parts so well that it would be unfair to give particular mention to any and so we simply give the cast of players:

The Queen.....	Mary Dye
Jorothy.....	Kathryn Brown
Monica.....	Alice Hawes
Margery.....	Mabel Hamilton
Juanita.....	Christina Johnson
Janet.....	Eva Andrews
Ruth.....	Etta Dye
The Judge.....	Mabel Kraft
Farmer Jim.....	Agnes Thompson
The Commodore.....	Eunice Thompson
The Beggar.....	Virginia Kraft
The Doctor.....	Bertha Libby
The Peddler.....	Della Johnston
Farmer Joe.....	Daisy Rankin
Two Jolly Farmers.....	Loretta Clay
The Captain.....	High School Girls
The Farmer's Brigade.....	
The Jolly Gentlemen.....	
Milkmaids.....	
Accompanist.....	Mrs. Eccles

FARMER BOYS: Loretta Clay, Capt., Allie Day, Bertha Libby, Mary Foster, Roxana Rankin, Mima Walker, Dora Goins, Anna Packer, Maud Matsell, Helga Johnson, Anna Barton, Zola Groes, May Weaver, Edith Hamilton, Grace Haight, Naomi Love, Daisy Rankin, Della Johnston.

MILKMAIDS: Nira Cook, Ola Weaver, Mabel Hamilton, Margaret Daniels, Etta Dye, Christina Johnson, Argona Wilson, Ethel Kent, Madge Kent, Gussie Bruns, Pearl Phillips, Emma Edwards, Kathryn Brown, Eva Andrews, Josephine Renoe, Florence Dye, Edna Peacher.

Something for Christmas

While thanking the people of Laclede and vicinity for their liberal patronage in the past, I would respectfully invite your attention to my stock of holiday goods, consisting of clocks, watches and jewelry, before buying elsewhere. The goods are all right and up-to-date and of the best quality, and the prices are right. I have the celebrated Rockford 15 and 17-jeweled watches, also the South Bend watches, and there are no better watches on the market than either; all fully warranted. Parlor and kitchen clocks of the best make; jewelry, consisting of gents' fobs and vest chains, ladies' guard chains, lockets, brooches, ladies' necklaces, scarf pins, tie pins, dress pins, waist sets, bracelets, children's and misses' solid gold rings, watch charms, souvenir spoons and other articles too numerous to mention. All goods of the best quality. Come and see me and bring your watches and clocks and have them cleaned and repaired. All work warranted.

Yours respectfully,
A. H. LOVE.

No Paper Next Week

The BLADE, like most of the other Linn county papers, will take a vacation next week. The office will be open during the holidays and if you have a job of printing bring it in and it will be properly done at a reasonable price. If you want to pay your subscription we will gladly attend to that, too. We have tried to give you a good, clean paper the past year and feel that we are entitled to miss one issue, and feel sure that our subscribers will agree with us. We thank our friends for the very liberal patronage they have given us this year and wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

Jewelry novelties at Lomax's.

M. E. Church Notes

157 in Sunday School and only one teacher absent.

We missed Bro. Kraft from his accustomed place Sunday morning.

We had a fine League lesson led by Xillon White on the question of foreign missionary work.

An early morning service will be held at the church Christmas morning, consisting of song, prayer and praise. The bell will ring at 5.30 and the services begin promptly at six. You are cordially invited to participate in this glad service.

A nice letter from our friend and brother, Peter Felt, contained a substantial token of Christmas good cheer for all the little folks and a hearty greeting to all the old time friends. We heartily reciprocate his cordial expressions of good will.

It is busy folks that do things, and these are they that are making preparations for one of the happiest Christmas times ever witnessed in the town. The program is complete with helpful suggestions of boyhood days and the joy of Xmas time.

On Saturday evening at seven o'clock, at the Methodist parsonage, Wayne Anderson and Edna Wilson pledged their troth, each to other, the Rev. L. C. Powell speaking the words that made the twain one. Mr. Anderson is a prominent business man of the town who commands the esteem and respect of all who know him. Miss Wilson is the daughter of our townsman L. M. Wilson and is well fitted to take her place as wife of the man of her choice. These worthy young people take with them into the activities of life the best wish of a host of friends.

A quiet wedding was solemnized Sunday afternoon at 2.30, at the home of the bride, the contracting parties being Miss Rachel M. Reeder and George W. Estes, the Rev. L. C. Powell, pastor of the Methodist church, officiating. Only the immediate friends of the family were present. Mr. Estes is one of Linn county's prosperous farmers who recently moved to our city than he might better, with his family, enjoy the advantages afforded here of school and church. He is a man of sterling qualities and a good citizen. Miss Mattie, as she is familiarly called, is too well known to require at our hands any expressions of good will as to her standing in the community where she has ever been found ready to render assistance to the needy; and as a christian woman of high moral character. Just after the ceremony the guests repaired to the dining room where a tasteful three course dinner awaited them. The happy couple are the subjects of the best wishes of a multitude of friends.

Violin Instruction

Having received several inquiries regarding violin instruction, I have decided to give lessons on that instrument during the ensuing winter. They will consist of individual instruction on the fundamental principles of violin playing, the proper manner of holding the violin, bow technique, reading, etc. Those desiring lessons should make arrangements to commence immediately. HERBERT J. BENJAMIN.

Pay Your Taxes Now

and avoid the rush. One per cent penalty added January 1, 1911. Tax-books are at my office.

W. S. SAVAGE,
Township Collector.

TOWN AND COUNTRY IN BRIEF

Local Events of The Past Week Recorded For Busy Blade Readers.

New mixed nuts 17c lb.; Patrick's Oil 10c, gas. 15c gal.; Patrick's.

Have you seen the beautiful handkerchief display at Lomax's?

If you want fire or tornado insurance on farm or city property, call and see L. W. Libby at O. F. Libby's law office.

Rev. Arnold of Liberty will begin a series of meetings at the Baptist church next Sunday night. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

The local banking houses—Lomax & Standly and the Allen-Benson Banking Co.—are distributing some unusually beautiful calendars among their customers.

Miss Lulu Walker, who is at tending Missouri Wesleyan college at Cameron, came home yesterday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Walker, and family.

Morris Walters shipped a car of hay to Streator, Ills., Tuesday. Mr. Walters loaded the car himself and put eleven tons and 700 pounds in a car that was supposed to hold only ten tons.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Childress and Mrs. G. M. Cassidy came down from Linneus and spent a day with relatives here, leaving yesterday for Bradyville, Iowa, where they will spend Christmas with relatives.

A. A. DeVcl has been showing some excellent moving pictures at the opera house this week and will show them the rest of the week at Sumner. He has one of the latest machines and the pictures are clear and good.

As the regular dates of Dr. J. H. Kittridge, the Chillicothe dentist, would come on Christmas and the day following, he will be here on the Tuesday and Wednesday following, December 27 and 28, at the Anderson house.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Kightlinger, who have been visiting relatives near Brookfield, left Tuesday for their home at Moorhead, Mont., where they own a ranch. Harlan was in Laclede Saturday and ordered the BLADE sent to his address. The best wishes of their many Linn county friends go with them to their far away home.

The oyster supper given by Laclede camp No. 2412, Modern Woodmen of America, to the members and their families and the Royal Neighbors of America last Friday night was perhaps the best of the many events of a similar nature given by the camp. The Laclede Concert Band accepted an invitation to be present and delighted all with a few very well rendered selections. Oysters were served in abundance and were enjoyed all the more because prepared by S. W. White, who is a past master in the art of cooking the delicious bivalve. About 175 were present.

William Frakes Dead

William Frakes, a well known and popular young farmer, died of pneumonia Wednesday night at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Frakes, near Forker. He was about 30 years old and unmarried. Funeral services will be held at the home this (Friday) afternoon at 1 o'clock; interment in Laclede cemetery. The bereaved relatives have the sympathy of the entire community.

Additional Locals

Five-lb. pkg. oats 20c; Patrick's. Best sugar 19 lbs. \$1.00 Patrick's. Fine footwear and hosiery at Lomax's.

Books of all kinds at the Laclede Drug Co.

C. N. Ausmus was in Sumner Saturday.

W. B. Calhoun visited Browning friends Sunday.

J. W. Lomax & Co. have a fine assortment of rugs.

Xmas candy 10c lb., 3 lbs. 20c, at J. B. Patrick's.

Mrs. O. E. Calloud was over from Brookfield Monday.

Groes has the best candies and nuts for Christmas.

See the gloves, mufflers, scarfs and ties at Lomax's.

Ernest Ausmus was in Sumner on business Saturday.

Chas. A. Berry was over from St. Catharine Saturday.

C. C. Moberly shipped a car of hay to St. Louis Tuesday.

Christmas fruits, candies and nuts at the corner grocery.

The BLADE wants all the news. Bring, send or phone it to us.

Mrs. Clarissa Smith is home from an extended visit in Colorado.

W. O. and C. O. Warner were over from Meadville Saturday.

Young man, take notice. Fine box candy at the Laclede Drug Co.

Misses Bee Dick and Emma Gould were in Chillicothe Tuesday.

Dolls, dolls, dolls, little, big, old and young at the Laclede Drug Co.

E. W. Creason of Browning was the guest of J. C. Cornett Sunday.

Perfumes? Well, yes. Fine boxes of it at the Laclede Drug Co.

Rev. G. F. DeVcl preached at the Christian church in Milan Sunday.

Fine stationery, just what you want, at Henry's, the new pharmacy.

Fresh celery and oysters direct from Baltimore for Xmas; Patrick's.

Bought them yet? If not, come to us. We have them. Laclede Drug Co.

Groes has a big line of fleeced-lined underwear, felt boots and overshoes.

Miss Alma Jones of Linneus spent Saturday and Sunday with Laclede friends.

J. S. Conant came home from Laplata to attend the Estes-Reeder wedding Sunday.

Surprise that boy or girl with a camera. We have them. The new apothecary shop.

A few barrels of choice sorghum molasses for sale by H. H. Hawes, route one, Laclede.

J. W. Lomax & Co. still have a very fine assortment of articles suitable for Christmas gifts.

New rugs, rocking chairs and a variety of furniture at the Model for Xmas presents; J. B. Patrick.

Found, silver lodge pin, K. L. A. F. M. Owner may have same by proving property and paying for this notice.

Attorney B. E. Bigger of Hannibal is spending a few days with home folk, guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bigger.

While chopping wood in the timber Tuesday John Anderson was struck in the mouth by a stick he had cut off and a gash about an inch long was cut through his lower lip.

SHORT PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Brief Mention of Those Who Come and Go During the Week

Mrs. G. F. DeVcl spent Sunday with friends in Linneus.

A. L. Peacher left Friday for his home at Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Mrs. N. J. Thompson went to Meadville Monday to visit her son May and family.

Miss Anna Lomax came home from an extended visit in Oklahoma yesterday.

J. M. Prewitt of route two is spending the holidays with his parents at Liberty.

Mrs. L. L. Whitlow of St. Louis is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Renoe, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert McKisson visited Mr. and Mrs. Hilton Hawes at Kansas City from Friday to Sunday.

Lee Love, tourist conductor on the Burlington, spent a couple of days this week with Laclede relatives and friends.

Percy Markham and Walter Cramer of Bookfield attended the "Merry Milkmaids" at the opera house Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mathiasch and son of Greencastle, Ind., are here visiting relatives and friends, guests of Joseph Mathiasch, Sr.

Miss Grace Wilson, teacher in William Wood college at Fulton, is spending a few days here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Glenn of Kansas City were guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Smith, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Keithley and baby of Browning are guests of Mrs. Keithley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Calhoun, and family.

Misses Luella and Ethel Shoup of Meadville spent a couple of days last week with Misses Etta and Mary Dye and attended the "Merry Milkmaids."

Sidney Polson came up from St. Louis Saturday and spent a few days with his mother, Mrs. M. E. Polson, and old friends, returning home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Ausmus and family and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Grant and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Murley Smith and family of route one Sunday.

Miss Kathryn Harter, who is studying music in William Wood college at Fulton, came home Tuesday night to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Harter.

Watch the Date on the Tag

As rapidly as possible we are putting the date the subscription expires on the address tag on each copy of the BLADE mailed. If the last number of the date on the tag on your paper is not "11" it means that you are delinquent and that we would be pleased to receive a renewal of your subscription at once. If the date reads "1 Jan 11" your subscription expires January 1, 1911, and you should renew at once. Please look this up and attend to it now while you think about it. We try to get these figures right and if you find that the date on your paper is wrong, let us know about that, too. If you owe us, start the year right by paying arrearages and, if possible, a year in advance.